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Ahead of Hot, Dry Holiday, City Reminds Residents of Fireworks Ban
Risk of Fire Caused by Fireworks Especially High this Year

As the Fourth of July rapidly approaches, City officials urge residents to comply with Burien's ban on fireworks within City limits. Hot, dry temperatures over the past month and going into the weekend create especially dangerous fire conditions and call for extreme caution in handling flammables of any type.

The Burien police department has scheduled extra officers who will specifically be assigned to enforce violations of the fireworks ordinance. Residents who possess or discharge fireworks may receive a ticket, be fined \$257.00, and have their fireworks confiscated. Residents are encouraged to attend a public fireworks display in lieu of purchasing and discharging their own.

Questions on the ban can be addressed to Captain Bryan Howard of the Burien Police Department. He is supervising all fireworks enforcement efforts and can be reached at (206) 477-2248 or bryan.howard@kingcounty.gov.

The Mayor, City Council, and staff would wish everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July!

The City of Burien is a vibrant and creative community, where the residents embrace diversity, celebrate arts and culture, promote vitality, and treasure the environment. For more information, visit www.burienwa.gov.

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